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FOR PHRASAL STRINGS USING DICTIONARY LOOPING****AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated October 20, 2005, the Applicants respectfully request that this amendment be entered under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 to place the above-referenced application in condition for allowance or, alternatively, in better condition for consideration on appeal.